

# House File 390 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON HUMAN  
RESOURCES

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 60)

## A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to an Alzheimer's disease response strategy.  
2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

## 1     Section 1. ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE — RESPONSE STRATEGY.

2     1. The department of public health shall convene a  
3 stakeholder workgroup to design a strategy to respond to  
4 the needs of Iowans with Alzheimer's disease and other  
5 forms of dementia that includes action steps, a timeline for  
6 implementation, and identification of the parties responsible  
7 for specific activities. In developing the response strategy,  
8 the workgroup shall review the recommendations and the current  
9 status of the recommendations submitted to the governor and  
10 the general assembly by the Alzheimer's disease task force in  
11 January 2008; consider the most current research developments  
12 and available data regarding Alzheimer's disease and other  
13 forms of dementia; and integrate the activities and expertise  
14 of any existing public or private programs, initiatives,  
15 or opportunities that offer potential for coordination and  
16 collaboration relative to, or the financing of, the response  
17 strategy.

18    2. The stakeholder workgroup shall be comprised of, at a  
19 minimum, representatives of the department of public health,  
20 the department on aging, the department of inspections and  
21 appeals, the department of human services, the Alzheimer's  
22 association, the Iowa caregivers association, long-term  
23 care providers, home and community-based services providers,  
24 consumer advocates, and health care providers.

25    3. The stakeholder workgroup shall submit the response  
26 strategy to the governor and the general assembly no later than  
27 November 15, 2011. The strategy shall specifically include a  
28 recommendation for the location of an office for Alzheimer's  
29 disease and other forms of dementia within state government,  
30 recommendations to institute the public and private partnership  
31 necessary to most efficiently and effectively implement the  
32 response strategy and provide continuing collaboration, and  
33 any recommendations for ongoing data collection and funding to  
34 support the response strategy.

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## EXPLANATION

1     This bill directs the department of public health (DPH) to  
2 convene a stakeholder workgroup to design a strategy to respond  
3 to the needs of Iowans with Alzheimer's disease and other  
4 forms of dementia. The bill directs the workgroup to review  
5 the recommendations and current status of the recommendations  
6 submitted by the Alzheimer's disease task force in January  
7 2008; to consider the most current research developments and  
8 available data; and to integrate activities and expertise of  
9 public and private programs, initiatives, or opportunities that  
10 offer potential for coordination and collaboration relative to  
11 or the financing of the response strategy. The bill specifies  
12 the membership of the workgroup and directs the workgroup to  
13 submit the response strategy to the governor and the general  
14 assembly no later than November 15, 2011.